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1. AFRICAN GROUP MET MORNING NOV 7 TO DISCUSS FURTHER MOVES
CONCERNING SOUTH AFRICA. WE UNDERSTAND THAT SEVERAL STEPS
WERE APPROVED:

A. GA PRES WILL READ OUT REPLY FROM SC PRES CONCERNING
SC DEBATE AT GA PLENARY MEETING NOV 12. (TEXT TO BE CIRCULATED
AS UN DOCUMENT NOV 8.) RATHER THAN HAVING MINI-DEBATE AS EARLIER
DISCUSSED, A NUMBER OF SPEAKERS NOW WISH TO BE INSCRIBED NOV.
12. RESULT MAY WELL BE RES CONDEMNING UK, US AND FRANCE FOR
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VETO.

B. SPC RESES ON APARTHEID WILL INCLUDE RESOLUTION WITH LANGUAGE CALLING AT THE EXTREME, FOR CHAPTER VII ACTION AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA, BUT FOR STRICT ARMS EMBARGO AT THE LEAST. SUCH A RES, WHICH SHOULD PASS WITHOUT TOO MUCH PROBLEM, THEN WILL OCCASION LARGER DEBATE WHEN BROUGHT TO PLENARY FOR CONSIDERATION. SUCH A RES ALSO WOULD APPEAL TO SOUTH AFRICA FOR RELEASE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS. RES ALSO WOULD CALL ON SC FOR CONSIDERATION, BUT NOT DURING MONTH OF NOVEMBER.

C. AFRICANS WILL REQUEST DECEMBER SC MEETING ON NAMIBIA.

2. NIGERIAN PERMREP OGBU TOLD MISOFF NOV 7 THAT COMMONWEALTH MEMBERS HAD MET WITH MINISTER OF STATE ENNALS TO APPEAL FOR UK DEMARCHE TO SOUTH AFRICA. TANZANIAN PERMREP SALIM, OAU OBSERVER OUATTARA, AND OGBU MET WITH ENNALS NOV 6 AND URGED THAT UK DEEP UP PRESSURE. OGBU ASKED MISOFF WHAT USG VIEW WOULD BE TOWARD TYPE OF SPC RES DESCRIBED IN PARA 1B. OGBU SAID THAT HE WANTED TO HAVE OUR THOUGHTS, IN ORDER TO AVOID ANOTHER VETO SITUATION. OGBU ADDED THAT ENNALS HAD TOLD HIM THAT HMG COULD ACCEPT AN ARMS EMBARGO, BUT NOT CHAPTET VII LANGUAGE. OGBU DID NOT COMMENT ON BRITISH ATTITUDE TOWARD QUESTION OF SAG FREEING POLITICAL PRISONERS. SCALI

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